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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on June 26, 2001, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a European Search Report from the European Patent Office that was mailed on June 1, 2004, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. EP 01108081.9, in which the European Patent Examiner cited the following documents:

U.S. Patent No. 4,796,279 to BETTS et al., which issued on January 3, 1989;

International Patent Application Publication No. WO 95/13675, which was published on May 18, 1995;

U.S. Patent No. 4,608,703 to KAGA et al., which issued on August 26, 1986;

International Telecommunication Union: "ITU-T V.34", pages 1-73, downloaded from <http://www.mirror.itu.int/dms/pages/itu-t/rec/v/T-REC-V.34-199802-I.html> on May 13, 2004;

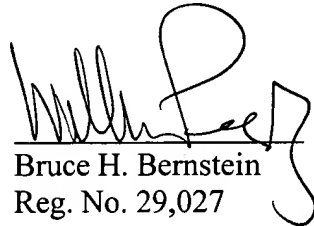
The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the European Examiner applying European rules to the European claims are set forth in the European Search Report.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached hereto and are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of the European Search Report is also enclosed herewith. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Further to the extent necessary, Applicant furthermore certifies that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement, and thus no fee is required to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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